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PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Virgin Islands Rules and Regulations, Title 12, Chapter 21, Section 904-9, an application for Federal Consistency Determination CZJ-02-21L(FC) has been submitted by the Virgin Islands National Park Service proposing to replace the Reverse Osmosis (RO) plant at the Trunk Bay Beach and Recreation area. Damage caused by the 2017 hurricanes, resulted in the existing RO system to not operate as expected. The exterior components of the RO Plant (water storage tanks, well head, pressure tank and piping) that were damaged by the storms will be replaced. The proposed new RO plant will obtain water from the existing groundwater well at Trunk Bay and use the reverse osmosis system to remove salt, hardness and organics from the ground water feed that has a water quality that may range from brackish to seawater. The primary goal is to meet all applicable drinking water standards and provide safe drinking and domestic water to visitors at Trunk Bay Beach and Recreation Area.

Plans for the proposed project are on file for review **by appointment only** at the Department of Planning and Natural Resources, Division of Coastal Zone Management, located on the first floor of the Charles Wesley Turnbull Regional Public Library between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Files are also available for review on the DPNR website http://dpnr.vi.gov/czm/programs-viczmp/federal-consistency-viczmp/. The review and public comment period will be open for 30 days. Properly signed statements concerning the proposed project, addressed to the undersigned, will become part of the hearing record. Written statements must be submitted by April 19, 2021 via email to czm@dpnr.vi.gov or appointments made by contacting the DPNR-CZM Office at (340) 774-3320.

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